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F 0684 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide appropriate treatment and care according to orders, resident's preferences and goals. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to assess, monitor, and provide appropriate clinical oversight of a urinary collection device used to manage chronic urinary incontinence for 1 of 1 resident (R1) reviewed for urinary incontinence. Findings include: R1's face sheet printed 6/3/26, identified diagnoses including chronic kidney disease stage 3, lymphedema (swelling caused by a buildup of fluid), chronic combined systolic and diastolic heart failure, chronic right-sided heart failure, benign prostatic hyperplasia (enlarged prostate) with urinary symptoms, localized edema (swelling), acute cystitis with hematuria (bladder infection with blood in the urine), and muscle weakness. R1's care area assessment (CAA) for urinary incontinence dated 2/5/26, identified urinary incontinence as an actual problem. The CAA identified R1 required assistance with toileting and was occasionally incontinent of urine. Contributing factors identified in the assessment included pain, restricted mobility, benign prostatic hyperplasia (enlarged prostate), congestive heart failure, use of diuretic medications, and opioid medications. The CAA further identified urinary incontinence placed R1 at risk for urinary tract infections, skin injury, loss of dignity, social isolation, and further functional decline. The assessment determined the issue would be addressed through care planning. R1's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE], identified cognition was intact. The MDS further identified R1 was always incontinent of urine and received diuretic medication. R1's care plan identified a focus, revised 8/18/25, that R1 had a history of urinary tract infections (UTIs) and benign prostatic hyperplasia (enlarged prostate). The care plan goal directed staff to prevent skin breakdown related to incontinence and brief use. Interventions initiated 11/9/22, directed staff to encourage fluid intake during the morning and afternoon, limit fluids during the evening, avoid foods and beverages that may irritate the bladder, and monitor for signs and symptoms of a UTI, including pain, burning, blood in the urine, cloudy urine, decreased urine output, foul-smelling urine, fever, chills, changes in mental status, and changes in behavior. An additional intervention initiated and revised 8/18/25, identified R1 preferred use of a urinal, refused briefs, would request assistance as needed, and had PRN orders for a condom catheter. An additional care plan focus, revised 2/12/24, identified R1 had a self-care deficit related to a history of fractures, limited mobility, and pain. The care plan goal directed staff to maintain R1's current level of function with bed mobility, transfers, eating, dressing, toileting, and personal hygiene. An intervention revised 11/15/24, directed staff to assist with toilet use by offering help to the bathroom and assistance with emptying the urinal upon arising, before and after meals, and at night. R1's Kardex dated 6/3/26, identified R1 preferred use of a urinal, refused briefs, and would request staff assistance as needed. The Kardex directed staff to assist with emptying the urinal and identified PRN condom catheter orders. The Kardex further directed staff to offer assistance with toileting and empty the urinal upon arising, before and after meals, and at night. R1's progress note dated 5/2/26 at 11:54 a.m., identified R1 required standby assistance to transfer to the toilet and extensive assistance with personal care and dressing. The note further identified R1 was unable to control his urine stream, was incontinent of urine, and left the urinal in his pants. R1's progress note dated 5/8/26 at 4:23 p.m., identified R1 reported constant urinary dribbling and stated he kept a urinal between his legs at all times because he was afraid of spilling urine. R1 (continued on next page)		

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

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F 0697 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Few	Provide safe, appropriate pain management for a resident who requires such services. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview, and record review, the facility failed to comprehensively assess pain, re-evaluate the effectiveness of the pain regimen, ensure accurate and complete documentation, and notify the physician of break through pain for 1 of 1 resident (R1) reviewed for pain management. Findings include: R1's face sheet printed 6/3/26, identified diagnoses of pain in left elbow, generalized muscle weakness, cervical spinal stenosis (narrowing of the spinal canal in the neck), lumbar spinal stenosis (narrowing of the spinal canal in the lower back), low back pain, anxiety disorder, and major depressive disorder (depression). R1's Care Area Assessment (CAA) dated 2/5/26, identified pain as an actual problem and triggered due to a pain numeric intensity rating of 7/10. The CAA identified multiple diagnoses and conditions that could contribute to pain, including cardiac disease, pneumonia, gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD), arthritis, and dental problems. The CAA further identified pain could result in impaired ability to perform ADLs, reluctance to participate in therapy, poor healing, falls, and further functional and cognitive decline. The CAA identified pain would be addressed through care planning. R1's quarterly Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE], identified cognition was intact. The MDS indicated R1 received a scheduled pain medication regimen and did not receive non-pharmacological pain interventions during the 5-day look-back period. R1 reported experiencing pain frequently and rated his worst pain as 3/10. The MDS further identified pain occasionally made it difficult for R1 to sleep at night and occasionally limited day-to-day activities. R1 was independent with most activities of daily living (ADLs). R1's care plan dated 1/16/24, identified a focus that R1 had generalized chronic and acute pain related to multiple chronic conditions and diagnoses, including osteoarthritis. The care plan noted pain could affect R1's ability to perform activities of daily living ADL's and quality of life. Interventions initiated 9/23/22, directed staff to assess pain using the Numeric Pain Scale (0-10); monitor and record pain characteristics, including quality, severity, location, onset, duration, aggravating factors, and relieving factors; monitor and document side effects of pain medications; report changes in activity attendance patterns or refusal to attend activities related to signs, symptoms, complaints of pain, or discomfort; notify the health care provider if interventions were unsuccessful or if pain represented a significant change from R1's usual pain pattern; and provide R1 and family information regarding pain and pain management options. An additional intervention initiated 2/2/24, directed staff to attempt non-pharmacological pain management interventions, including ice packs. Although R1's care plan identified R1's chronic and acute pain and included interventions for assessment, monitoring, reporting, medication side effects, provider notification, and non-pharmacological interventions, the care plan did not address resident-specific pain management goal or desired outcome such as acceptable pain level or desired outcome. R1's physician order summary identified an order dated 10/25/22, for acetaminophen tablet 500 milligram (mg), give 2 tablets by mouth three times daily for pain. On 5/6/26, directed staff to administer oxycodone HCl (narcotic pain medication) oral tablet 5 mg, give 2.5 mg by mouth every six hours as needed for pain rated 2-5 and give 5 mg by mouth every six hours as needed for pain rated 6-10. An additional order dated 5/11/26, directed staff to administer gabapentin (medication for nerve pain) 300 mg, give 2 capsules by mouth three times daily (600 mg three times daily) for neuropathy. R1's May 2026 MAR, progress notes, and occupational therapy documentation dated between 5/11/26 and 5/21/26 were reviewed and identified R1 continued to report left arm pain that interfered with daily activities despite ongoing treatment. The MAR identified R1 received PRN oxycodone on 47 occasions between 5/7/26 and 5/31/26 for reported pain ratings ranging from 6/10 to 10/10. Follow-up documentation identified the medication was ineffective on 13 occasions and effectiveness was documented as unknown on four occasions. When oxycodone was documented as ineffective, follow-up pain ratings remained elevated at 6/10, 7/10, 8/10, 9/10, and 10/10. Record review did not identify documentation that nursing staff (continued on next page)		

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